



Young Scholars Program



Purpose

The Young Scholars Program (YSP) has been preparing scholars for success and contributing to the diversity of Ohio State since 1988 by improving pre-college preparation, college retention, and degree completion among academically gifted first-generation students with financial need.

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Each year, YSP works to enhance the academic, career, and personal development of more than 100 students and their families from nine of the largest urban school districts in Ohio: Akron, Canton, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Lorain, Toledo, and Youngstown.

Impact

Collaborating with superintendents, principals, counselors, and the community, YSP strives to significantly improve student performance and district graduation rates, allowing nearly 800 students to become first-generation college graduates.

YSP also encourages parents to become more involved in their children's education and their own: hundreds of parents and siblings have earned G.E.D.s and college degrees in the process, contributing to the growth of their communities.

Ohio State Colleges/Units Involved

Office of Diversity and Inclusion
College of Education and
Human Ecology
College of Engineering
College of Food, Agricultural and
Environmental Sciences
College of Medicine
Fisher College of Business
Department of Mathematics
Department of Sociology
School of Music

Community Partners Involved

School Districts of: Akron, Canton,
Cleveland, Cincinnati, Dayton,
Lorain, Toledo, Columbus,
Youngstown
Price Waterhouse Coopers
Limited Brands
American Honda Foundation
Luxottica Group
Nationwide Children's Hospital
United Way
Ronald McDonald House
EarthFest
Habitat for Humanity
Cleveland Ministerial Alliance

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